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FROM: Mark B. Wilson**USER ID:** MW01999 **FLOOR:** 20**PHONE:** (512) 536-3035**FAX:** (512) 536-4598**RE:** U.S. Patent Application No. 09/972,396**NUMBER OF PAGES WITH COVER PAGE:** 8**Message:**

Attached please find an Application for Patent Term Adjustment for the above-referenced U.S. patent application.

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OFFICIAL**PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Gilles Massey
Jean-Claude Dauguet

Serial No.: 09/972,396

Filed: October 5, 2001

For: METHOD FOR DETERMINING THE
SUITABILITY OF A TRANSPARENT
MOLDED POLYMER ARTICLE FOR
COLORING WITHOUT DEFECTS AND
RESULTING ARTICLE

Group Art Unit: 2873

Examiner: Scott J. Sugarman

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APPLICATION FOR PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT

UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§1.705(b)

VIA FACSIMILE NO. (703) 308-6916

Sir:

Reconsideration of patent term adjustment is hereby requested under 37 C.F.R. §§1.705(b).

Applicants request an adjustment of patent term of 23 days, from 306 days to 329 days.

On January 29, 2002, Applicants mailed a Response to Notice to File Missing Parts. The return postcard (attached as Exhibit A) was date stamped as received by the U.S. Patent Office on February 20, 2002. This date of February 20, 2002 is twelve days in excess of the allotted three months in which to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts, mailed November 8, 2001. Attached as Exhibit B is a copy of the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system's calculations of Patent Term Adjustment. Applicants note that the PAIR entries indicating the U.S. Patent

Office's receipt of the Response to Notice to File Missing Parts are dated February 20, 2002. However, the "Applicant Delay" listed in the entry "Application is Now Complete" is 35 days. Applicants request this delay to be changed to 12 days. Applicants responded to the Notice to File Missing Parts well before the date of March 15, 2002 listed under this entry and request that this arbitrary delay of 23 days be removed.

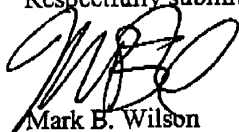
The U.S. Patent Office mailed an initial Office communication for the above-referenced U.S. patent application on November 6, 2003. As provided by 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.702(a), the patent term shall be adjusted if the issuance of the patent was delayed due to failure of the U.S. Patent Office to mail the initial Office communication not later than 14 months after the date on which the application was filed. As November 6, 2003 is past this fourteen month deadline, a delay on the part of the U.S. Patent Office of 336 days was correctly indicated in PAIR's calculations, as was the U.S. Patent Office delay of five days in mailing the Notice of Allowance.

Applicants respectfully request a patent term adjustment of 329 days in light of the above-mentioned issues.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.18(e), the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct a fee of \$200.00 from Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account No.: 50-1212/ESSR:053US.

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Respectfully submitted,



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IDENTIFICATION OF APPLICATION

Serial No.: 09/972,396

Title: METHOD FOR DETERMINING THE SUITABILITY OF A TRANSPARENT MOLDED POLYMER ARTICLE FOR COLORING WITHOUT DEFECTS AND RESULTING ARTICLE

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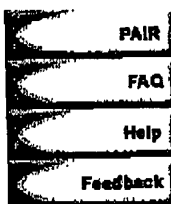
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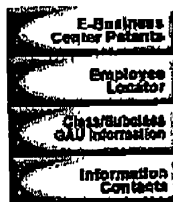
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09/972,396

		Days
Filing or 371(c) Date:	10-05-2001	USPTO Delay (PTO): 341
Issue Date of Patent:	-	Three Years: -
Pre-Issue Petitions (days):	+0	Applicant Delay (APPL): 35
Post-Issue Petitions (days):	+0	Total PTA: 306
USPTO Adjustment (days):	+0	Explanation of Calculations

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22	03-17-2004	Issue Revision Completed	↑	
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14	12-08-2003	Response to Election / Restriction Filed	↑	
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10	10-05-2001	Preliminary Amendment	↑	
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